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U.S. Under Secretary Sonnenshine Remarks on The Power of English Learning

Throughout my travels as an Under Secretary, I have been constantly reminded of the magnetism of English language learning. From Ethiopia to Istanbul, from Lahore to Tokyo, the young people I have met who study English have been eager to demonstrate their skills. [High school students in Ukraine](#) sang songs to me in English. College students in Dire Dawa, Ethiopia, asked me to read their English essays. In the Dominican Republic, young people proudly showed their handiness at playing "[Trace Effects](#)," our online English-learning videogame. And in these upturned faces, I also saw growing self-belief and excitement about new possibilities ahead...[more](#)



Story Time at the Library

PAO Gainer enthralls the kids and their professional parents with *Nighttime Ninja*

PAO Gainer encouraged 35 kids from the Summer Camp Creative Ladder, Chennai and their parents to read and use library resources. They visited the Library for a story telling and film



screening on April 29. He read the book *Nighttime Ninja* for them. The students enjoyed the storytelling and the interaction with PAO Gainer.

Teen Literature Day

Students from Chinmaya Vidyalaya School visited the American Library as part of Teen Literature

Day Celebrations on April 18. PAO Gainer spoke on the importance of inculcating good reading habits and how it helps students pursue their dreams and be successful in their future endeavors. Library screened Dr. Seuss' *The Lorax* which the students enjoyed immensely.



Library Celebrates National Library Week and Poetry Month



Library opened its doors to students studying in Government schools and hinterland colleges. It also introduced photo membership cards to its members. Above from clockwise: Students from CPS New Market School with their teachers, PAO Gainer issuing photo membership card to a member, a student from Government First Grade College, Bangarupet, Kolar District, reading a poem from a specially designed book mark.



Discover America



Traversing the United States by car is an invitation to enhance – or ditch – the standard tour-

ist agenda and seek out some of the country's most treasured oddities. Here are descriptions of just a few...[More](#)



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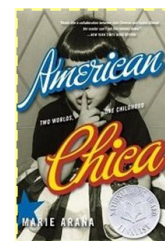
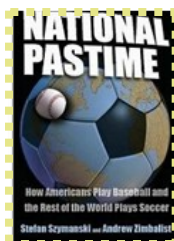
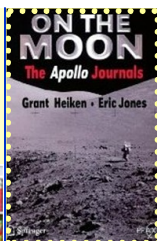
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[Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays \(PFLAG\)](#)
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Important Dates

June 1-30: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month

June 5: United Nations: World Environment Day

June 10, 1915: Saul Bellow: Birth Anniversary



This report provides the Department of State's annual assessment of trends and

events in international terrorism that occurred from Jan 1- Dec 31, 2012. [More»](#)

Member writes

I joined American Library in 1968, a great inspiration to me. As an undergraduate student I had access to books which were impossible to procure. I also watched live telecast of Man landing on the Moon in the Library premises. I cherish all those memories even now. A summer course on American Civilization in 1971 was an eye opener, as we got a comprehensive and objective look at American history, culture and global commitments. Regular seminars, films, talks, and discussions current issues were all immensely useful to members. My association with the Library was an inspiring gateway to world affairs. — N. Venkatesan, Chennai

Celebrate World Ocean's Day



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Publications



**Library Celebrates
Earth Day**

On April 22, American Library engaged about 100 school kids from Chinmaya Vidyalaya and Aasan Memorial School to celebrate Earth Day

2013. PAO Gainer welcomed the students and stressed the importance of environmental awareness on issues such as the use of recycled plastic and paper products, and the conservation of water, forests and other energy resources. The students also enjoyed drawing and essay competitions on the theme "Plastic Hurts."



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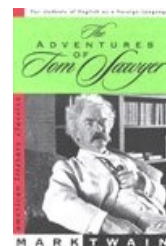
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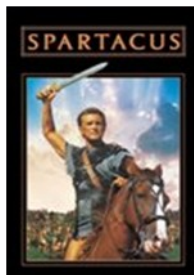
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June 1, 2013

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June 15, 2013

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